

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please replace the paragraph no. [0015] with the following amended paragraph:

The rear cover 10 has an outer radius 10a that forms the outer hull of a pump impeller 13 and a sleeve-like pump drive shaft 12, which is integrally fixed to the inner radius end of the cover 10 by welding. The drive shaft 12 is rotated by the torque of an ~~engine~~ and engine and drives an oil pump 45. The oil pump 45, which is driven by the power of the internal-combustion engine, applies hydraulic pressure to the operating oil. The oil pump 45 includes an inner gear 45a, which is fitted to the pump drive shaft 12 in a manner such that the inner gear 45a cannot rotate relative to the pump drive shaft 12, and an outer gear 45b, which houses the inner gear 45a on the inner periphery of the outer gear 45. A turbine runner 15, which has substantially the same shape as the pump impeller 13, is disposed opposite to the pump impeller 13 with a stator 16 placed between the turbine runner 15 and stator 16. The outer hulls of the pump impeller 13 and the turbine runner 15 form a torus that transmits power via the medium of operating oil. The stator 16 is connected to the mission case 7 through a support member 17, a one-way clutch 19, and a cover boss 20.